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INFO AMEMBASSY AMMAN

AMEMBASSY BEIRUT

AMEMBASSY CAIRO

AMEMBASSY JIDDA

AMEMBASSY KUWAIT

AMEMBASSY TEL AVIV

AMEMBASSY TRIPOLI

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: PFOR, SY, LY

SUBJECT: SYRIAN DELEGATION DEPARTS DAMASCUS TO ATTEND LIBYAN  
REVOLUTION FESTIVITIES

1. SYRIAN MEDIA HAVE ANNOUNCED DEPARTURE OF OFFICIAL DELEGATION TO ATTEND FESTIVITIES IN TRIPOLI MARKING ANNIVERSARY OF LIBYAN REVOLUTION. DELEGATION HEADED BY JAMIL SHAYYA, DEPRIMIN FOR ECONOMIC AFFAIRS AND MEMBER OF BAATH PARTY NATIONAL (PAN-ARAB) COMMAND. IT INCLUDES SAMI ATTARI, BPNC MEMBER AND DIRECTOR OF PALESTINIAN BUREAU; AHMAD AL-HASA, BP REGIONAL (SYRIAN) COMMAND MEMBER AND DIRECTOR OF BAATH VANGUARDS BUREAU; AND ZUHAYR MASHARQA, BPRC MEMBER AND DIRECTOR OF PARTY TRAINING BUREAU. IZZ AL-DIN NASSER, BPRC RESERVE MEMBER AND SEC GEN OF SYRIAN GENERAL CONFEDERATION OF LABOR UNIONS (GCLU), LED LABOR DELEGATION TO SYMBLOIZE SYRO-LIBYAN SOLIDARITY IN LABOR AFFAIRS. DELEGATIONS SEEN OFF AT AIPORT AUGUST 30 BY BAATH PARTY COMRADES.

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2. COMMENT:

DISPATCH OF HIGH-LEVEL BAATHIST DELEGATION TO TRIPOLI  
AT THIS JUNCTURE WE CONSIDER TO BE IN PART AN OBVIOUS ATTEMPT  
BY SAR GOT NETTLE EGYPTIANS AND WILL UNDOUBTEDLY BE VIEWED  
IN THIS LIGHT BY CAIRO. IN ADDITION, HOWEVER, SYRIANS HAVE  
BEEN DEALING WITH LIBYAN NEGOTIATORS TO SETTLE LEBANESE  
CRISIS AND SEE THIS AS OPPORTUNITY TO IMPRESS UPON  
QADDAFI/AT TIME WHEN LIBYAN LEADER FACING INCREASED ISOLATION  
IN ARAB WORLD--DAMASCUS VIEWS ABOUT BEST COURSE OF ACTION  
TO FOLLOW IN LEBANON. SYRIA CANNOT IGNORE DISRUPTIVE  
POTENTIAL OF QADDAFI'S LIBYAN-FINANCED ASSETS AS IT IMPLEMENTS  
STRATEGY TO SEAT SARKIS AS PRESIDENT BY SEPTEMBER 23.  
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